

REMARKS

This Preliminary Amendment is submitted with the filing of a divisional application from parent co-pending application serial no. 10/133,252 filed April 25, 2002. In the parent '252 application claims 8-12 were cancelled without prejudice due to a restriction requirement. Accordingly, Applicant files this divisional application directed towards claims 8-12.

In the parent '252 application, Figs. 4-6 were amended to include the legend "Prior Art." The drawings of Figs. 1-6 submitted with the filing of this divisional application include amended Figs. 4-6.

Applicants invite the Examiner to call Applicant's Representative to discuss any issues with this application.

CONCLUSION

Applicant submits that the patent application is in condition for allowance and requests a Notice of Allowance be issued.

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